As a US citizen living in Hong Kong, I would like to express my opposition to cell phone use on airplanes. Even on a short flight, a phone conversation would impose a disturbance on neighboring passengers regardless of whether it were a personal or business call. On a trans-Pacific flight, there could be a nightmare-ish scenario of 14-16 hours of business negotiations going on the the seat next to you. If there were an area with soundproofing separate from the rest of the passengers where callers could make their calls, cell phone use would be acceptable. It would be entirely unacceptable in any of the main passenger seating areas.

Thanks for your attention.